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PEPTIDES OR ANTIBODIES

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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Madam:

This Response replies to the Office Action for the above-identified application that was mailed on February 25, 2009. A request for an extension of time and the required fee are submitted herewith, to extend the reply period to August 25, 2009.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees determined to be due and credit any overpayments to deposit account no. 04-0100.